OneBayArea

OneBayArea Grant Program

2012 Public Outreach Workshop

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

C/CAG
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of San Mateo County

* What is the OneBayArea Grant?

The OneBayArea Grant (OBAG) is a funding approach, initiated by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) that integrates the region's federal transportation program with California's climate law (Senate Bill 375, Steinberg, 2008) and the Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS).

* Who/ What is MTC?

The Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) is the transportation planning, coordinating, and financing agency for the nine-county San Francisco Bay Area. MTC's region includes the nine counties of Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Solano, and Sonoma, and 101 municipalities.

http://www.mtc.ca.gov/

* Who/ What is C/CAG?

C/CAG is the Congestion Management Agency (CMA) for San Mateo County.

C/CAG is responsible for development of a Congestion Management Program (CMP) that monitors levels of congestion on major roads and analyzes the impacts that proposed developments will have on future traffic congestion.

C/CAG also serves as the governing body that programs state and federal transportation funds in San Mateo County.

http://www.ccag.ca.gov/

# What is the intent of OBAG?

The goals of OBAG include:

- Rewarding jurisdictions that accept housing allocations through the Regional Housing Need Allocation (RHNA) process.

- Supporting the Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) for the Bay Area by promoting transportation investments in Priority Development Areas (PDAs).

* What is a PDA?

Priority Development Areas (PDAs) are locally-identified, infill development opportunity areas within existing communities.

Generally areas of at least 100 acres where there is commitment to develop more housing, amenities, and services to meet the day-to-day needs of residents in a pedestrian-friendly environment served by transit.

To be a PDA, an area has to be within an existing community, near existing or planned fixed transit or served by comparable bus service, and planned for more housing.

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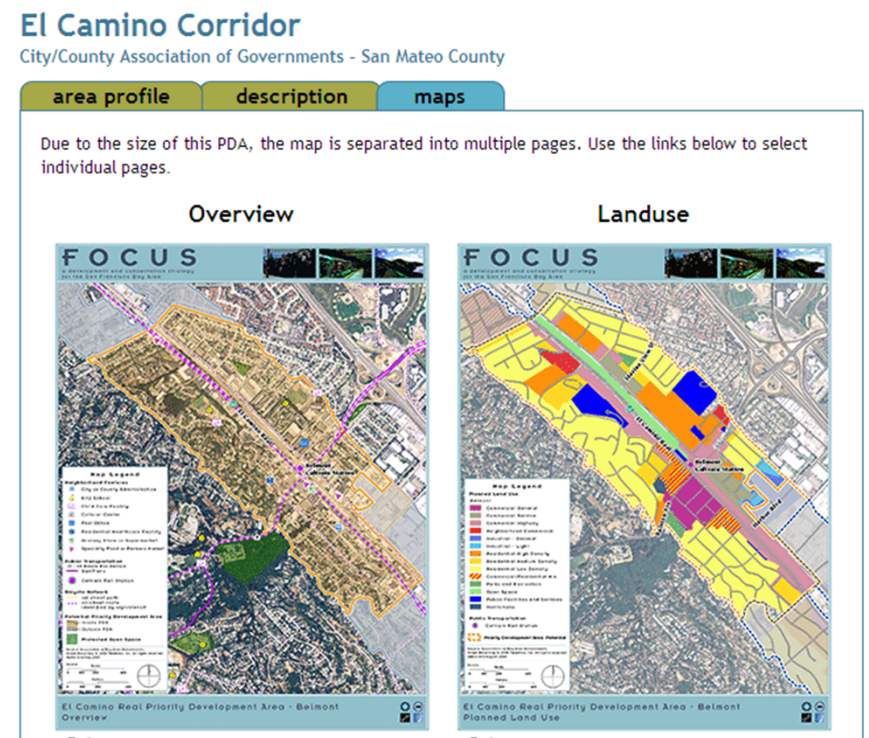
* How does an area become a PDA?

Local jurisdictions (e.g. cities, and the county) submit applications to Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) for identified areas that meet the criteria of a PDA.

PDAs applications are reviewed and approved by the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG)

For more information about PDAs and the PDAs located in San Mateo County see the following:
- http://www.bayareavision.org/initiatives/prioritydevelopmentareas.html
- http://www.bayareavision.org/pda/san-mateo-county/

*Why is C/CAG sending out the Call for Projects?

On May 17, 2012, the MTC adopted Resolution No. 4035 outlining the policies and procedures associated with the "OneBayArea Grant."
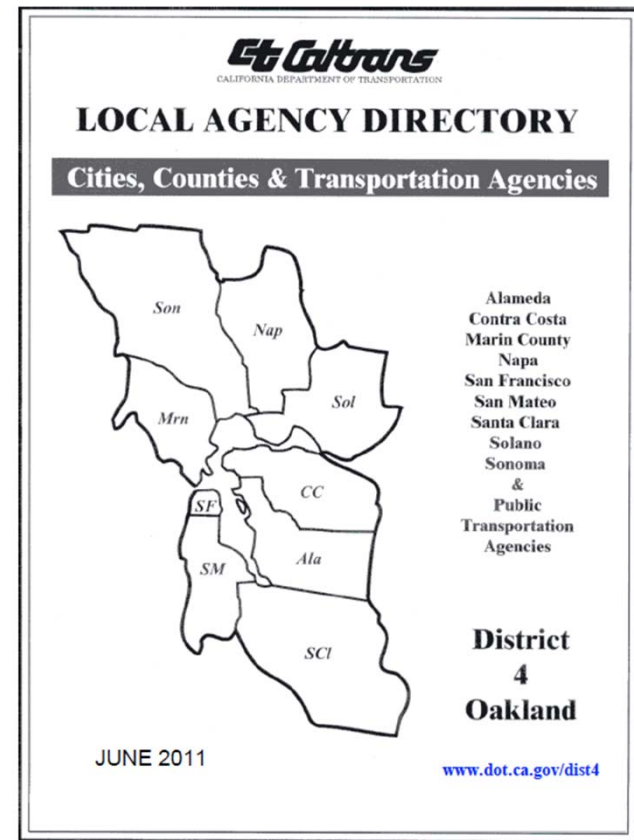
MTC has delegated OBAG project selection to the nine Bay Area Congestion Management Agencies (CMAs). C/CAG is the CMA for San Mateo County and will issue a call for projects in mid-October 2012.

http://www.mtc.ca.gov/funding/onebayarea/RES-4035_approved.pdf

*Who is eligible to apply for OBAG funding?

Local Public Agencies that are eligible to receive Federal Highway Administration FHWA funds. Example:

- Cities and towns in San Mateo County.
- The County of San Mateo.
- San Mateo County Transit District (SamTrans)
- Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board (JPB).

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http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist4/ola/contact/sm.pdf

What sorts of projects are eligible for OBAG funding?

C/CAG will be issuing a call for the following programs:

- **Transportation for Livable Communities (TLC) projects, and**

- **Bicycle and pedestrian improvement projects.**

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C/CAG will be issuing a call for projects that support multi modal transportation such as Transportation for Livable Communities (TLC) projects and bicycle and pedestrian improvement projects. In order to promote transportation investments in Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) Priority Development Areas (PDAs), C/CAG is required to direct a minimum of 70% of its OBAG funding to projects in PDAs.

*Transportation for Livable Communities (TLC)

Invest in transportation projects that:
- Bring vibrancy to downtown areas, commercial cores, high density neighborhoods & transit corridors
- Enhance amenities & ambiance
- Make places where people want to live, work & visit

Investing in high impact projects that promote alternative transportation modes to the single-occupant automobile.

Transportation for Livable Communities (TLC)

Project categories include:

- **Station Improvements** (i.e. plazas, station access, pocket parks, bicycle parking)
- **Complete streets improvements** - bike lanes/sharrows, sidewalk, bulb outs, etc.
- **Connectivity projects** –connecting high density housing/jobs/mixed use to transit (i.e. bicycle/pedestrian paths, bridges, safe routes to transit)
- **Streetscape projects** focusing on high-impact, multi-modal improvements or associated with high density housing/mixed use/transit
- **Storm water management** as part of a streetscape project (drainage cost associated with on-site storm water management, permeable pavement).

Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements

Funds a wide range of bicycle and pedestrian improvements including:

- Class I, II and III bicycle/ pedestrian facilities,
- Bicycle/ pedestrian education, outreach,
- Bicycle sharing and parking,
- Sidewalks, ramps, pathways, and pedestrian bridges,
- User safety and supporting facilities, and traffic signal actuation

Fund Source Note: CMAQ may not fund exclusively recreational facilities and hours of operation need to be reasonable to accommodate commuters.

How are you going to select projects?

1. We will announce a Call for Projects to all eligible applicants.

2. Project sponsors submit project applications to us.

3. Staff screens the project applications for minimum eligibility requirements.

4. We forward those application to a scoring committee for TLC project or the C/CAG Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) for project ranking.

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5. Ranked projects will be presented to the C/CAG Congestion Management Program Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and the Congestion Management Program and Environmental Quality Committee (CMEQ) for review and recommendation to the C/CAG Board.

6. The C/CAG Board adopts the list of projects.

7. We forward the list of projects to MTC and begin the programming process.
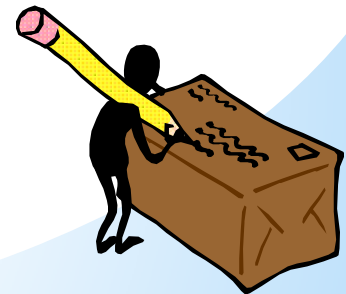
How does the 70%/30% affect selected projects?

Example:

Projects are funded according to rank until appropriate fund type is exhausted.
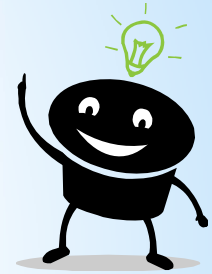
Ranked projects:

1 Project A (PDA)
2 Project B (Not PDA)
3 Project C (PDA)
4 Project D (Not PDA)
5 Project E (PDA)
6 Project F (Not PDA)
7 Project G (PDA)
8 Project H (PDA)
9 Project J (PDA)
10 Project K (Not PDA)

Funds available for Non PDA projects is exhausted

Funds still available for PDA projects. So PDA projects get funded

Funds for PDA projects is exhausted

* What if I have a project Idea?

Please contact your town or city to let them know that you have a project idea that may be eligible for funding.
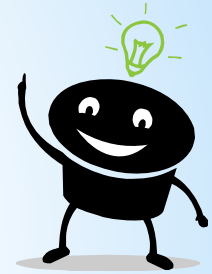
Contact information for eligible applicant agencies in San Mateo can be found at:
http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist4/ola/contact/sm.pdf

Because all project applications require local matching funds most applicant agencies will have a process for developing and vetting project ideas.

*Questions and Ideas?

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